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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,098,370

AB United States Patent No. 4,922,975

AC United States Patent No. 4,526,568

AD United States Patent No. 4,392,849

AE United States Patent No. 4,151,845

AL PCT Application WO 96/32975

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AN European Application 0 702 966

AO German PS 28 55 713

AP German OS 2 326 265

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EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

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Reference AA corresponds to German OS 39 02 497 and Reference AE corresponds to German AS 28 49 367, which were identified and discussed in the present specification. References AD and AN were also identified and discussed in the present specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of those references.

Those references, plus the remaining references, were also cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application. For the English-language references among those remaining references, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary. English translations of References AO and AP are not readily available to the Applicants, however, English-language Abstracts are respectively attached to those references.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the present PCT application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the present application is therefore respectfully requested.

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